Kevin, Chris and Stephen pay Tribute to Jay Corley, our Father, for his vision, dedication, perseverance and gentlemanly nature on the ‘eve’ of Monticello Vineyards 40th harvest.

His wisdom, insights and wit continue to guide and inspire the family in our stewardship of our winery and vineyards.

Jay first came to Napa in the early 1960’s but it wasn’t until 1969 that he came in earnest looking for vineyard land to grow wine grapes. In 1970 he purchased an old prune orchard and planted it to grapes - primarily Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

On July 15th, 1971 the vineyard was incorporated and Jay was in the wine business.

Today marks our 40th Anniversary, and Kevin, Chris and Stephen are paying Tribute to Jay.

A tribute is wealth, often in kind, that one party gives to another as a sign of respect or, as was often the case in historical contexts, of allegiance.

We are paying Tribute to our father’s perseverance and dedication in pursuit of his vision of Monticello Vineyards and to our allegiance to the principles and high ideals he maintained during his pursuit.

As a token of our respect and allegiance to Jay and his principles, we offer Monticello Vineyards ‘Tribute’ to our father. The wine is a red blend from the 2008 vintage crafted in the style of a rich yet approachable wine of distinctive character made from Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc.

Thank you Dad,
Kevin, Chris and Stephen